

REFUGE HUNTING PERMIT: All hunters must possess a Refuge hunting permit. This brochure, when signed and in your possession, serves as a permit for all refuge lands.

ENTRANCE FEE PERMIT: **Currently Entrance Fees are waived due to COVID precautions and visitor center closure. If entrance fees are resumed then a notice will be placed at hunter kiosks.** Valid permits are DeSoto Annual Pass (\$15.00), Federal Duck Stamp (\$25.00), and Daily Permit (\$3.00). Other passes are available at the Visitor Center for seniors, active military, and the permanently disabled.

STATE REGULATIONS: All state regulations apply including hunting methods, license, tagging, and reporting requirements. Additional Refuge-Specific regulations are outlined in this brochure and in Title 50 CFR. All commercial activities, including guided hunts, are prohibited.

REFUGE HOURS: Two hours before sunrise and two hours after sunset. Contact refuge law enforcement to remain after closing hours to retrieve or track wounded game.

RECIPROCITY: All areas open to hunting, as outlined on the map of this brochure, may be accessed by hunters holding a resident Iowa or resident Nebraska license. Hunters holding non-resident Iowa or Nebraska licenses may only hunt on land within the state the nonresident license is issued.

BLINDS & OTHER PROPERTIES: Only portable blinds may be placed on the refuge during the applicable hunting season. Trail cameras are not allowed.

- We allow two portable blinds per hunter within the Archery hunt area. Of those, only one blind can be left on the refuge from the start of the designated hunt season to one week after the end of the designated hunt season.
- Unattended blinds must be plainly labeled with the full name and/or hunting license number of the owner. Labels must be visible from the ground.
- Spikes, nails, screw-in bow holders, and any items that penetrate the outer bark of a tree are prohibited.
- Cutting or altering of tree branches or any vegetation is prohibited.
- Blinds not in full compliance with these regulations are subject to removal.

Seasons, Weapons, Hunt Dates, and Quotas

Spring Turkey Archery:

Legal Weapon: Archery
Hunt Dates: 4/15/2021—5/16/2021
Hunter Quota: Unlimited

Spring Turkey Youth Hunt:

Legal Weapon: Shotgun
Hunt Dates: April 10-11, 2021
Hunter Quota: 25 youth hunters, must apply by contacting Peter Rea at 712-388-4803. A mentor is required to be with the youth hunter.

Spring Turkey Mobility Impaired Hunt:

Legal Weapon: Shotgun
Hunt Dates: April 17-18
Hunter Quota: 5 mobility impaired hunters will be selected and assigned a hunting blind. Interested mobility impaired hunters can contact Peter Rea.

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Hunting Regulations Spring Turkey Season 2021

The signing of the permit validates it as your general Refuge hunting permit and must be in your possession while participating in authorized Refuge hunting activities.
Expiration date: May 17th, 2021.

I have read and understand these regulations.

Hunter's Signature

Date

For More Information:

DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge
1434 316th Lane
Missouri Valley, IA 51555
712-388-4803

402-679-9020 (Refuge Law Enforcement)



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Hunting Map

